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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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TETSUYA KAWANABE)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2626
Application No.: 09/853,710)	
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Filed: May 14, 2001)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
SYSTEM, IMAGE DATA	:	
PROCESSING METHOD,)	
AND STORAGE MEDIUM	:	November 29, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is enclosed.

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Japan 2000-112705

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This document was cited during prosecution of a Japanese application corresponding to the above-identified application, namely Japan 2000-144030. A copy of a Japanese Office Action dated July 29, 2005 is enclosed.

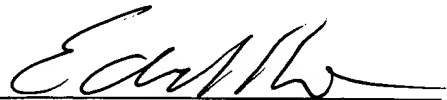
An English language abstract and a partial English language translation for the document Japan 2000-112705 has been located and is enclosed for the Examiner's

consideration. The concise explanation of relevance for the document is believed to be satisfied by the enclosed English abstract and translation. See MPEP § 609.

The subject application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice Of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the \$180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). The Examiner is requested to study the cited information in its entirety and to make an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicant with the next communication.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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